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MEMORANDUM FOR: Rear Admiral John L. Butts, USN

Director of Naval Intelligence

FROM : Robert M. Gates

Chairman, National Intelligence Council

SUBJECT :

REFERENCE : DNI Memo,

Subject Same as Above

l. In reply to reference, we are pleased to learn that NIE has been of exceptional value to the Navy. We will commence reexamination of the evidence necessary to support a new Estimate immediately after coordination of the Interagency Intelligence Assessment of Soviet scheduled for publication in the second quarter. This should provide ample time to meet your requested publication date.

2. We accept your offer of a principal drafter and request that he get in touch with _______ Assistant National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces, who will chair the resulting NIE update or Memorandum to Holders. Should extensive redrafting be required, we will consider requesting a co-drafter from another NFIB member.

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cc: Director, DIA

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